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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
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SERIAL NO: 10/085,204 :
FILED: FEBRUARY 26, 2002 : GROUP ART UNIT: 2828
FOR: SURFACE-EMISSION LASER :
DIODE OPERABLE IN THE :
WAVELENGTH BAND OF 1.1- :
1.7 μ m AND OPTICAL :
TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEM :
USING SUCH A LASER DIODE :

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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT AND
SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed July 30, 2003, Applicants elect without traverse Claims 6-8 directed to Species I. Applicants make this election based on the understanding that Applicants are not prejudiced against filing one or more divisional applications that cover the non-elected claims.

Furthermore, prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 36 of this paper.